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Advisory Group for Southeast Human Service Center to meet Nov. 5

BISMARCK, N.D. – The Regional Advisory Group for the North Dakota Department of Human Services' Southeast Human Service Center is meeting Wednesday, Nov. 5, 2014, from 1:30 to 3 p.m. at the center located at 2624 Ninth Ave. S., in Fargo. The public is welcome to attend.

The meeting agenda includes a review of meeting minutes, updates about Southeast Human Service Center's budget and staffing, vocational rehabilitation services, region-wide planning, funding, and service development. Other agenda items include discussion about recommendations for improvements in services, programs, funding, and facilities; 2015 legislative bill drafts, and advisory group member reports and announcements. The agenda is online at www.nd.gov/dhs/info/publicnotice/index.html.

Individuals who need accommodations to participate in the meeting can contact Phyllis Brandt at 701-298-4401, toll-free 888-342-4900, ND Relay TTY 800-366-6888 or pbrandt@nd.gov.

Advisory group members represent the center's service area that includes Cass, Ransom, Richland, Sargent, Steel, and Traill counties. They include county commissioners, county social service board members, and others interested in services for people with disabilities, social services, mental health and substance abuse treatment services, and other human services.

Each of the department's eight regional human service centers has an advisory group.

Regional human service centers provide counseling and mental health services, substance abuse treatment, disability services, and other human services directly or through partnerships with county social services and other providers. While services may vary based on unique regional needs and the availability of other community resources, core services are listed online at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/docs/hsc-core-services.pdf.

Southeast Human Service Center in Fargo employs over 185 people. More information about the center is on the Web at www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/regionalhsc/southeast.

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